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NEWMAN MUMFORD,  
Surveyor to Lloyd's Register.  
Hongkong, February 29, 1904. 397

**NOTICE.**  
THE PROSECUTION of Mr. GUSTAV SCHULTZ in my Firm is withdrawn from This Date.  
T. E. GRIFFITH.  
Canton, February 29, 1904. 388

**YORKSHIRE DINNER.**  
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ARTHUR CHAPMAN.  
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Hongkong, February 18, 1904.  
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Hongkong, September 22, 1903. 1758

**NOTICE.**  
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For The International Banking Corporation,  
CHAS. R. SCOTT,  
Manager.  
For the Guaranty Trust Company of New York,  
E. F. GROS,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, February 20, 1904. 373

**NOTICE.**  
THE New Opium Farm commences business from TO-MORROW (Wednesday, 1st March). The Firm Chop will be 振裕興公司 (Chin Joo Heng Co.).  
Mr G. HODGKIN, late Inspector of the Sanitary Board, will be Chief Excise Officer in place of Mr J. J. Spooner.  
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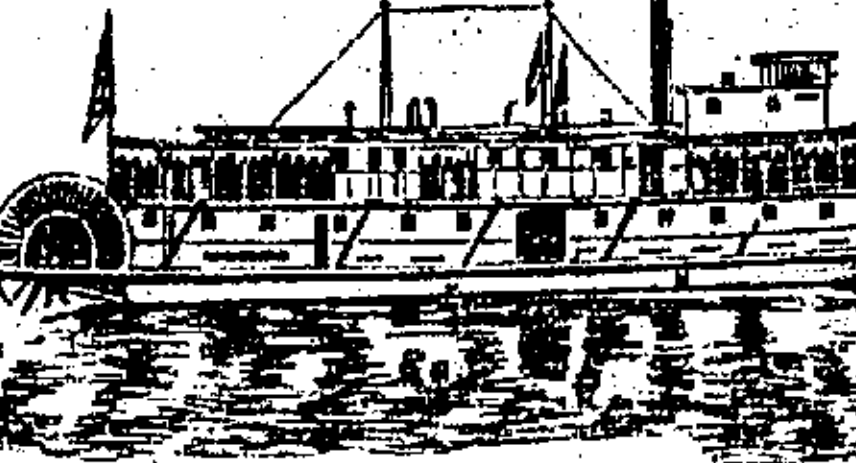
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INFORMATION has been received from  
THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES that  
GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from  
Upper Belchers and Fly Point Batteries  
in a North-Westerly direction at ranges  
from 4,000 to 5,000 yards, on the 4th March,  
1904, and from Stonecutters West and East  
Batteries in a South-Westerly direction at  
ranges from 4,000 to 5,000 yards, on the 5th  
March, 1904.

If the weather is unfavourable on either  
of the above dates, Practice will take place  
on the 7th proximo.  
Practice will commence at 9.30 a.m. on  
the 4th, and at 9 a.m. on the 5th, and end  
at 11 a.m. daily, if the range is clear.  
By Command,  
A. M. THOMSON,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, February 25, 1904. 363

**VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.**  
**SEVENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.**

BY Kind Permission of H.E. The Officer  
Administering the Government, the  
above Sports will be held under the Rules  
of the AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSO-  
CIATION on MONDAY, the 4th APRIL,  
on the Ground of the Hongkong Football  
Club (kindly lent for the purpose) at  
Happy Valley.

Entry Forms and List of Events may be  
had from the Steward of the Club, Kow-  
loon, or the Undersigned, c/o Messrs Guinness,  
Livingston & Co.

Entries CLOSE on MONDAY, the 28th  
March, at 5 p.m.  
HAROLD C. AUSTEN,  
Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, February 23, 1904. 364

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO.,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the above Company, will be  
held at the Offices of the Company, Ped-  
der Street, on SATURDAY, the 6th day  
of MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock (Noon), to  
receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st  
December, 1903, and the Report of the  
General Managers, and to elect a Consulting  
Committee and Auditors.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 20th  
February to the 5th March, both days in-  
clusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 289

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
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THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY  
MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS  
in the Company will be held at the COM-  
PANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road  
Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the  
10th March, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose  
of receiving a Statement of Accounts and  
the Report of the Directors for the year  
ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 1st to the  
10th March, both days inclusive.  
By Order,  
GEO. L. TOMLIN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 10, 1904. 280

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON  
WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY,  
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY  
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-  
HOLDERS in the above Company will be  
held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 2,  
Connaught Road, at 12.15 p.m., on  
THURSDAY, the 10th MARCH, for the  
purpose of receiving the Report of the  
Directors, with a Statement of Accounts to  
the 31st December, 1903.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 1st to the  
10th MARCH, both days inclusive.  
R. J. MACGOWAN,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 23, 1904. 354

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THE Undersigned will hold their Annual  
Sale of Race Ponies by Public Roap  
as under:—  
on  
**WEDNESDAY,**  
the 2nd March, 1904, at 3 p.m., opposite  
the City Hall,  
FIFTY LOTS;  
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CAUSEWAY BAY REPOURT,  
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Hongkong, February 25, 1904. 380

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THE Undersigned have received instruc-  
tions to Sell by Public Auction,  
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
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And there is no more comfortable Hotel in  
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Proprietor.  
Hongkong, December 23, 1903. 2887

## TWO SHANGHAI COURTS.

[N.C. DAILY NEWS SERVICE.]

His Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court  
at Shanghai is holden in the Consulate build-  
ing. A spacious, lofty chamber, with a  
high seat for the Chief Justice, a low seat  
for the Registrar, a bench for the bawgged  
and begowned Advocates, another for the  
Press corps, a raised rostrum for the wit-  
ness, and adequate accommodation for the  
public, it is something like a court of law.  
The aged-looking woodwork, the green  
laine, the tall windows, the churchy at-  
mosphere, all seem in keeping. At the  
moet, the voices of those who wait rise to a  
sibilant whisper. Suddenly a hush, and  
the warning announcement by the Usher:  
'The Court!' All rise, as a delightfully  
legal and humanly nice old gentleman  
proceeds to the throne of incarnate justice.  
He bows, seats himself, and the others do  
likewise. 'Somebody v. Another!' 'My  
Lord! I appear for the Plaintiff!' 'And  
I for the Defendant, my Lord!' All is  
said and done subduedly, quietly, and one  
has the feeling that a sneeze or a cough  
would be almost contempt of Court, and  
entail eggs serious penalty.

In fact, the moment, the temptation  
has occurred to flout the mummery of 'that  
as the law,' to jeer at the wigs and other  
hoary paraphernalia as a relic of an old  
time circus-cult. Our American cousins,  
now! They are men, shrewd, common-  
sense, men of business, who have ridden  
themselves of encumbering ceremonial as  
so much childishness. Let us now visit an  
American court.

The U. S. Consular Court at Shanghai  
'happens' in a back room of a brick build-  
ing in the Whangpoo Road. The furniture  
is Quakerishly simple. Item, a plain table  
with two rows of wooden chairs. In one  
corner a metal stove. Across one end of  
the table is a dais, and upon that a nar-  
rower table, with three chairs beside.  
Opposite the stove, a new looking 'stand'  
for witnesses, with a chair in which they sit  
upon the 'stand.' Two gentlemen in  
lounge suits stand beside the stove, while an-  
other similarly attired asks them to 'hold up  
their hands.' He holds up his, too, and a  
murmur is heard. We understand they  
are being sworn. In comes a nice-looking,  
keenly intelligent-looking, old gentleman  
wearing a black skull cap tightly drawn  
over his white hair, and he shuffles on  
to the dais. He coughs, and the two  
American citizens climb up, one of them  
with his hands in his pockets, and flank  
him. The official who made them swear  
takes a shovel and stokes the stove, noisily.  
He makes us swear, almost, for we could  
not hear the names of the parties interested.

Both advocates are in ordinary Shanghai  
attire. While one is speaking, the other  
tilts back his chair upon its hind legs, and  
winks at the official aforesaid. Official  
splits in stove. First advocate puts a lead-  
ing question. Crash! The tilted chair  
finds its level, and the other forensic  
champion is on his feet. 'No! no! I  
object!' My boy, only seventeen, knows  
better'n that. You can't do it! Then  
follows a dispute (in which 'the Court' is  
temporarily ignored. During the resumed  
pleading advocate Number Two saunters  
over to the stove and warms his  
hands. Occasionally he wrangles  
with the plaintiff, while his learned  
friend continues to address the  
Bench. When his turn comes to speak,  
and an interruption is made, he advances to  
the Judge, places the palm of his hand on  
the judicial blotting-pad, and truculently  
demands to know if the Court is going to  
allow him to be



There is also a Bill Warden U.S. Marine Corps, Commandant of Bow Admiral P. H. Cowan.







making in all a total of some forty-eight miles in extent. Sixteen so-called Russian "railway guards" have also been shot or had their throats cut by mounted bandits during the operations above noted.

With reference to the unfortunate Japanese officers caught by the Russians while attempting to blow up the Sungari river railway bridge, it is reported that would never have happened had the unlucky officers not been too eager to do their work. As a matter of fact, there was a large body of mounted Hungtuzes thirty-miles away ready to support them had these three officers only consented to wait twenty-four hours longer. There were four Japanese ready to do the work of whom one happened to be with the Hungtuzes at the time in order to lead them to the vicinity of the bridge for the purpose of covering the operations. Either the three captured officers thought they saw an opportunity of blowing up the Sungari river bridge before the arrival of their covering party, and so were caught by the Russians, or they were discovered by the latter while loitering in the neighbourhood and suspiciously aroused and so were arrested and tried by court-martial; at any rate when the Hungtuzes appeared in the vicinity they saw a whole regiment of infantry and some 300 cavalry camped near the railway bridge. Scouts sent on to find out the truth soon returned with the sad news, and a body of Russian cavalry being reported coming towards the place where the Hungtuzes were drawn up, the latter had to retire, taking the four Japanese officers with them.

#### THE PITEOUS CONDITION OF THE WAIWUPU.

It is stated in mandarin circles (says the N.-O. Daily News) that the Russian Minister at Peking has complained bitterly to the Waiwupu concerning the recent activity of the mounted bandits in cutting down Russian lines of communication in Manchuria, and has threatened that if the Chinese Government do not take steps to stop the bandits it will be considered by the Russian Government as an unfriendly act and that the bandits are being secretly countenanced by the Chinese Government on behalf of the Japanese.

The Russian Minister therefore threatened that if the Chinese did not stop the bandits at once the Russian Government would not recognize the neutrality of China, and the blame would rest with the latter. This, it is stated, caused a pitiful collapse among the Ministers of the Waiwupu who, panic-stricken, at once issued orders to Tung Chi, the Tartar General of Moukden, and Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai to send instructions without delay to their subordinates in and along the borders of Manchuria to stop the bandits, by force if need be, the hostile acts of the bandits in question. Apprehensive, the Russian Minister evidently ignored the fact and the numbers of the Waiwupu were too panic-stricken to remember, that these very bandits were enrolled and armed by the Russian military authorities in Manchuria themselves, to fight and overawe the Chinese mandarins, but that, more loyal to their country than the fogies controlling the Government in Peking, these lories turned upon their new masters the moment they saw a way open for them to drive off the hated invader.

#### A JAPANESE RESIDENT'S OPINION.

The following was received by us from a prominent English resident at Hio, Japan:—  
"Here in Japan we are living under the shadow of the sword and it is going to be a long and bloody war. It has barely begun yet, but the initial successes of Japan have given her the command of the sea, at all events for the present, but you may depend upon it, now that the die is cast, Russia will make prodigious efforts, not only to crush this country and obtain control of Korea, which she covets, but to regain the prestige she has lost in the recent sea-fights. Meanwhile, the train services are suspended, and troops are being poured into Korea by the thousands. Mines and torpedoes are laid all round our coasts, and all the lights and beacons liable to be extinguished at a moment's notice. The cost of living is rising, taxation is being doubled, telegrams are censored, and the police are looking us all up."

#### WAR REPORTS.

Wallace Irwin writes as follows in the New York Commercial Advertiser:—  
Tokio.—This afternoon Count Okuma, while taking notes from Fujiyama, saw something through the water ship that seemed a Russian battleship. He's trying to report the same, but no one can pronounce the name.

Admiral Bangor's battleship, the splendid Alexanderski, That morning met an accident. That much expensive damage meant. Her first three shells exploded—Bang didn't know the name was loaded.

This morning's cannon at rise of sun Reported naval war began. Far off the coast some heard the rattle Of what they thought were guns in battle.

But soon investigation proved That our alarms were falsely moved—That was Admiral Nagatsuki—Sweating Jap-fashion at a Jacky.

Admiral Bangor's name, they say, Broke from the arsenal to-day, And now is bounding through the snows, Adding syllables as it goes. If not soon checked it will define The whole Korean boundary line, Till of explosive words is made An unassailable barricade.

#### FOOTBALL.

M.S. "LEVIATHAN" v. ROYAL ARTILLERY. The Association Football team from the Leviathan defeated a team from the Royal Artillery by seven goals to two yesterday afternoon. The teams were:—

Leviathan: Monteith, goal; Le Page and Jeffries, backs; Shooter, Kinch, and Murphy, halves; Hall, Ockham, Bell, Brown and Hutchings, forwards. R.A. Sinder, goal; Arthur and Riley, backs; Boyle, Liott, Macdonald, and Whelpdale, halves; Wilks, Gibbling, Copper, Smith, and Browning, forwards. The Leviathan kicked off and Bell and Kinch were seen to advantage. The soldiers worked the ball down to the middle end, where Smith shot, but missed. After some fine play by the Leviathan's forwards Ockham scored the first goal, and shortly after Brown and Bell added two more. This woke the soldiers up, but they could not stem the tidal wave that had set in for their opponents. Hutchings and Bell again scored, and the Leviathan were even, the only goal being scored by Bell and Hutchings. Ockham and Copper scored one each for the R.A.s, when the final whistle went the score stood: Leviathan 7 goals, R.A. 3 goals.

#### TELEGRAMS.

['CHINA MAIL'S' SPECIAL SERVICE.]

#### CRICKET IN AUSTRALIA.

NO PLAY YESTERDAY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SYDNEY, February 29.

Owing to Monsoonal rains there was no play to-day in the fourth test match between England and Australia.

[RUSSIAN'S SERVICE.]

#### RUSSIAN SEIZURES IN THE GULF OF SUZ.

LONDON, February 28.

It is reported on reliable authority at Suz that Russian war ships, anchored in the Gulf, have seized the British steamers *Elrick Dale* and *Franklin*, and the Norwegian *Mathilda*, laden with coal.

#### FRENCH RE-INFORCEMENTS FOR THE FAR EAST.

The Temps states that 2,000 Colonial Infantry have been ordered to be in readiness to sail for Indo-China.

#### PROBABLE DISSOLUTION OF PARLIAMENT.

There is much talk in political circles of a dissolution of Parliament within a few weeks. In repeated divisions lately, the Government majority has gradually dwindled, and fell on Thursday to fourteen. Although this was a snatch division, it is regarded as a symptom of a growing indifference of Ministerialists.

#### THE DALLAS COMPANY.

The Henry Dallas Comedy Company last night staged the musical comedy 'The Runaway Girl.' The Company's representation was quite up to their standard, and all the members of the Company were seen to advantage in the comedy, there being more scope. Mr Percival Knight (as Flipper) was the soul of the piece, and his appearance was always greeted with applause. The scene in which he is elected to either collect the money from the young Englishman or—here followed a suggestive drawing of the hand across the throat—was irresistibly funny. Miss Violet Fraumpton took the title role and made an excellent singing girl. Miss Alice Wade (as a servant) was again well to the fore and her coarser singing brought an encore. Miss Perpetua Walter made a nice impression and secured many admirers by her singing of 'The Soldiers in the Park' and she was recalled twice. Miss Grace Desmond (as Charmante, from Blackfriars Road) was intensely amusing, and her singing with Mr D. Munro (as Brother Tamar) was very good. A floral tribute was handed to her in the second act. Another excellent violin solo was given by Miss Blanche Garbette, who played with the grace and precision that denotes the talented musician. Mr F. Cochrane (Guy Stanley) was a R. Ross (Lord Coudle) and Mr R. Riley (as Sir W. Hake) were equally good. Mr Cochrane's voice, however, being in better trim than the others. Miss Eva Bonheur, Carrie Roberts, Amy Bailey, and Eva Carlotta filled minor parts and looked well. Miss Bertha Hunter, as usual, was good in her role of a Society dame. Mr W. H. Williams and Mr W. Mainwaring filled the parts of brigands. The music was catchy and swinging and the comedy is one that produces a good laugh. It will be repeated to-night.

#### HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

The following is the report for presentation to shareholders at the seventeenth ordinary annual meeting, to be held at the Company's Offices, No. 2, Connaught Road, on Thursday, 10th inst., at 12.15 p.m.:—

The Directors have now to submit to shareholders their report with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1903. The gross revenue derived from Wharfage, Landing, &c., amounted to \$883,176.80 as against \$823,310.13 the previous year, showing an increase of \$59,866.67, and the profit on working was \$348,386.31 as compared with \$279,140.85 in 1902, being an increase of \$69,245.46. The balance at credit of Profit and Loss account, after paying interest dividend of 5 per cent. and including \$14,481.69 brought forward from last year, is \$215,665.41 which is proposed to appropriate as follows:—  
Directors and Auditors' fees... \$ 10,600.00  
Final dividend of 5%... 75,000.00  
Transfer to Depreciation... 16,442.74  
Reserve account... 35,000.00  
Write off Wharves... 20,000.00  
Write off Railways and Rolling Stock... 7,444.24  
Write off Launches... 8,690.00  
"Lighters... 16,442.74  
Machinery and Plant... 18,727.75  
Carry forward to new account... 28,015.68  
\$215,665.41

Business.—An increasing demand has existed for godown accommodation at Kowloon.

Buildings.—The addition to No. 2 godown, referred to in last Report, has been completed, and a contract has been signed for raising No. 3 godown.

Wharves.—No additions have been made during the year. Part of the West Point wharf is being removed, and the construction of new piers is under consideration.

Lighters.—One cargo boat and three running boats have been built during the year. Directors.—Messrs D. M. Moses and G. Modhuist having resigned, their places were taken respectively by Mr E. A. Shilline and Mr D. S. Whelsh. These appointments require confirmation.

Shareholders and Mr O. H. Thompson resigned according to the Articles of Association, but being eligible offered themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Messrs W. H. Potts and A. O'D. Governor have audited the accounts for the year, and presented and offer themselves for re-election. (W. D. DICKSON, Chairman.)  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1904.

#### SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour Mr. A. O. Wain, Justice Judge.)

Tuesday, March 1.

A DISPUTE ABOUT INTEREST.

The case in which Chan A. Fook and another sued U. Nervegna and another for the recovery of \$606, due as interest on a transfer of Francs 120,000, was again before the Court.

After the prosecution had closed Mr. Pollock addressed the Judge for the defence, during which he said, that Chan A. Fook had alleged that he had come to an agreement with Mr. Nervegna that he was to get the same interest as Mr. Watkins. If that was the case would Chan A. Fook not have mentioned it on April 17 or 18? The agreement, if there was one, would have been the most prominent thing in his mind at that time, and it was the last negotiation previous to writing the letter. It was something of an entirely new nature introduced into the case, and yet when writing to them on April 17 or 18? The agreement, if there was one, would have been the most prominent thing in his mind at that time, and it was the last negotiation previous to writing the letter. It was something of an entirely new nature introduced into the case, and yet when writing to them on April 17 or 18? The agreement, if there was one, would have been the most prominent thing in his mind at that time, and it was the last negotiation previous to writing the letter.

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#### DISOBEDIENCE OF ORDERS.

Sergeant Sent to Prison.

This morning, at the Marine Magistrate's Court, before Hon. Captain L. A. W.

Barnes-Lawrence (Harbour Master), H. Murray, carpenter of the cable ship *Scotia*, was charged, at the instance of Captain G. D. Rushton, with wilfully disobeying the lawful commands of the complainant on board the ship since the 25th ult., in Victoria.

Mr G. C. C. Master (Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared on behalf of the owners and captain of the *a.s. Scotia*, and Mr D. V. Stevenson (Messrs Deacon, Looker and Deacon) represented defendant.

Mr Master asked that the charge be amended to the effect that defendant was absent from his ship without leave on the 25th, 26th and 27th February, and was guilty of continued wilful disobedience of lawful commands.

The application was granted, Defendant having pleaded not guilty.

Mr Master pointed out that the *Scotia* was a cable ship, belonging to the Commercial Pacific Telegraph Company. The vessel arrived from the evening of the 24th ult., and on the 25th, defendant was reported as unfit for duty—he was not sober. He asked permission to go ashore, and was refused by the chief officer, Mr. Richardson. In spite of that the man left the ship and the following day was taken to the mercantile marine office. He refused to go back to the ship and on Saturday and Sunday was also absent without leave. Defendant had been insolent to the chief officer and his manner of acting was quite subversive of all discipline. No hint whatever could be done with him on board.

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#### CLAN FIGHT NEAR AMOY.

Chinese Brutality.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Amoy, February 26.

Some districts inland still keep their unsavoury character for clan fights and predatory raids, especially north of Chin Chew. Accounts reach me continually of sanguinary contests and lawless plunderings, which make it hard even for China's friends to call her a civilized country. Only the last week of the Chinese year, several in one family were brought to a Mission Hospital in Huian, suffering from the violence of an infuriated band of robbers.

—The man with his body covered with bruises and cuts, and minus a finger or two; his wife with the lobes of both ears cut off; the old father with many bruises and contusions, and suffering severely from shock, so that his very life is despaired of; and the old mother, too, much shaken and ill-treated, though luckily spared the knife wounds of the rest of the family.

Many other such cases occur which are never brought to be treated at the Hospital, and some of these districts never get through a whole year without a fight in one part or other of them. The authorities do not seem to try to prevent such outrages, since the necessity for action after they have begun, only gives the Mandarins the opportunity for squeezing money out of both sides, before peace is once more secured.

INSTRUCTION TO TEACHERS.

A course of instruction in Geography to teachers in Anglo-Chinese schools is to be commenced by Mr W. H. Williams, F.R.G.S., at Sai-yung-pun Government School, Pokfulam Road, on Saturday next, March 6, and will be continued on Saturdays at 10.45 a.m., except during recognised holidays. The course will consist of a series of about 30 lectures illustrated by lantern views upon the subjects stated in a syllabus. This list of subjects, however, is not exhaustive of the different phenomena which will be dealt with. The course is primarily intended for teachers in Anglo-Chinese Schools, in the hope of assisting them to frame suitable and connected lessons in Physical and Astronomical Geography, and also to show the connection between Physical and Historical Geography. At the same time a cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in the subject.

On Wednesday afternoon, commencing on March 6, at 4.30, a supplementary course will be given at the same school. This is especially intended for Chinese teachers, and Mr Williams' lectures will be repeated in Chinese by Mr Tang.

The syllabus includes:—I.—Comprising Meteorology, etc.; II.—Ice; III.—Structure and Scenery of Mountains; IV.—Scenery resulting from the Denudation of Horizontal Strata; V.—Wind Action; VI.—Volcanoes; VII.—Geysers; VIII.—Plain and Mountain; IX.—Islands; X.—Rivers and Valleys; XI.—River Falls; XII.—Lakes; XIII.—Types of Vegetation; B. Life and Conditions in other parts of the World; C. The Recent Syllabus of the Royal Geographical Society and its applications; D. Map construction. Local Geography; E. General—Recent volcanic disturbances. The World's Trade-routes. The Trans-Siberian Railway. Modes of Communication. Causes determining Climate. Distribution of Animal Life. Interchange of Productions.

Japanese Officer Suicides.

It is reported by the P. and T. Times that Lieut. Horibe, of the Japanese Army, an instructor of the Pachi College, Peking, committed suicide on the 14th ult. because his application to be allowed to go on active service was refused.

The New Japanese Cruisers.

It appears that the *Nishin* and *Kanaga* left night of each other in a gale two days out from Singapore, and did not see each other again until they arrived at Yokosuka, the *Nishin* two hours ahead.

The crews of the two vessels had great receptions at Yokosuka, Yokohama, and Tokio. The *Seydlitz* is taking back to Europe part of the crews, namely 72 Italians, 86 Arabians, four Indians, and ten Chinese.

Car Congratulates Alexieff.

The Far Eastern Press Association is responsible for the following telegram dated St. Petersburg, February 28:—Car Nicholas II. is apparently pleased with Admiral Alexieff's conduct of the war in the Far East. He has sent his thanks to the Viceroy for the manner in which he is holding out against the Japanese on land. The *Car* congratulates him as fighting in the face of great odds on land and sea.

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